## Planks Exceed 7,000; Hundreds Contribute in Final Rush Eleventh-Hour **Entries Swell**

Readers Who Posted Their Letters Before Time Limit Assured Full Consideration of Judges in Awards

**Contest Total** 

Survey on Wednesday

Capital and Labor Seems Certain of First Place as a Platform Issue

The rush of planks on the last day swelled the total ballot in The Tribune's National Republican platform planks contest considerably in ex-Friday's mail from New York City and near by brought 466 planks. The total count to date, with readers in more remote sections presumably still to be heard from, is 7,089. While it is impracticable to publish at this time any of the late arrivals, contestants are assured that these contributions will receive the same careful consideration that is being bestowed on the

There is every indication that the announcement of the prize winners and the publication of The Tribune's model platform will not be delayed beyond next Sunday, May 9. Making due allowance for tarrying mail, it is purposed to give on Wednesday a complete

bay by day, writes one correspond-ent, "I have been filled with wonder as I read the published results of your stirring the waters of civic interest. In my own case waning adherence to the Republican party was checked and the Republican party was checked and presently a new glow of hope came upon me, so that now I admit myself once more enrolled among those who still believe the party will avail to meet and master present conditions."

### America Is Advised To Guard Rights of

Stabilize the Labor Market
To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: My advocacy of a policy of rigorous support, even to the point of arministration favorable to this country. I believe to be sound.

There is little doubt that any party which the United States chooses to support could easily win its way to power, and there is just as little doubt that any for party which the United States chooses to support could easily win its way to power, and there is just as little doubt that such a government, backed by an official declaration of the United States guaranteeing stability at all costs, could maintain itself until the Mexican people themselves began to profit by the increased educational advantages, increased commerc, etc., which would inevitably result.

A. H. B.

Stabilize the Labor Market
To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Every utilization of water power conserves coal and fuel oil for other necessary uses; it conserves coal and fuel oil, and will be paramount to any issue in this or any other nation.

A. B. NORRIS.

Si West Ninety-fourth Street, New York City.

Argues for Free Trade

High Tariff Held Conducive to Continued High Prices

To the Editor of The Tribune.

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# To-Day's Prize Letter

Encourage Production by Eliminating Waste in Distribution

To the Editor of The Tribune:

Sir: The American people have been repeatedly accused of neglecting the greater things-the intellectual, the artistic and the spiritual-and concentrating too wholeheartedly upon mundane matters. Whether or not the accusation is just, there is no way for a people to attend to the greater things until it can cease werrying about the fundamental, basic ones, the ones upon which life itself depends: food, clothing, housing, fuel and health. We are worrying about these five so much that we are letting them take precedence over the things that are the real proof of a people's growth and the real test of its greatness.

What more important issues can be there than these five bi; ones, or, rather, these five parts of the one big issue? Is either party focusing its attention upon them? Certainly, the Republican party could not find five more substantial planks to stand upon than these. We need leaders to show us the way out, to help us see light ahead. The party which produces such leaders win, and deserves to win.

We read that underproduction is the cause of the high cost of living, and that the next administration should employ every facility at its disposal to stimulate greater production. While the public may not don overalls and push the

Strong Republican System Demanded In Army and Navy

Universal Training System That Does Not Require

s. Americanization.

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6. Constitutional reforms.

7. Bolshevism.

8. Education.

9. Conservation of mational resources.

10. Social legislation.

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Among the gratifying byproducts of the contest is the volume of commendatory letters. Many Republicans give expression to a revival of spirit and of faith as a result of The Tribune's daily symposium of opinion by the rank and file as well as the leaders of the party.

## Tutelary Policy in Latin America Considered Worthy of Permanence

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Experience has proved that it is to the best interest of all con cerned for us to continue to maintain our tutelary policy with respect to the Latin American countries. In addition to securing them against foreign encroachment we should endeavor to build up an entente of good feeling and friendly intercourse—our sincere assurance that we have no designs on their territory or trade and an attitude of abstention from officious, uncalled-for mediation will do much to remove suspicion and promote harmony and confidence. Mexico presents a peculiar problem, and if intervention proves necessary we should limit our action to the protection of the lives and property of our citizens and not push redress of grievances

Colonial possessions add nothing to the well-being of the average citisen and often mean little more than additional problems for his government. If American investors must seek foreign markets let us obtain their security by treaties or agreements rather than by warships and protectorates. As for the islands we now own, about the best thing we could do would be to "stand pat" on the question of possession and continue a liberal policy of education and social legislation for the natives

and give him all the moral support he needs. It can give him a square deal and receive a square deal in return if it focuses its attention upon what happens from the time the food leaves the farm to the time it reaches the consumer. Public sentiment will encourage production by eliminating waste in distribution. Public sentiment can put an end to the evil that enables distributors to receive 55 per cent of whatever goes into the cost of milk and potatoes and all food commodities. Can the Republican party direct its energies toward an issue more fundamental than this? The cost of distribution must be lowered; it must

plow, it can get behind the man who pushes the plow

simplified. At present the farmer receives too little, the consumer pays too much; the distributors grow fat on both. No uscless employee should be retained to add to the cost of distribution. Eliminate the useless members, the surplus everywhere and give them an opportunity to turn to production in the factory or the farm. It is not right that six-tenths should be engaged in edistribution and only four-tenths in production. These proportions should be reversed.

What an opportunity is here for leaders of the right type to encourage production by fighting the waste in

### Economy Wrong If Misapplied

Republican Party Warned That May Be Self-De-

as marines, engineers, aero squadrons, signal battalions, intelligence centers, and it is a marines, engineers, aero squadrons, signal battalions, intelligence centers, decause the world is far from be as a result of The Tribune, as well as the leaders of the area of corresponding the published results of your the waters of civic interest.

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Government in Mexico City

Backed by U. S. Demanded

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A high protective tariff in the United States will make it impossible for for-eign countries to send goods to our shores. They will be forced to pay off

Punishment of Profiteers

In Foodstuffs Is Demanded
To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: Whereas food is vital, the United States government should prosecute anybody guilty of the usurpation of food as a negotiable commodity. This plank in the Republican platform will do away with food profiteers, who make it very hard for American mothers to bring up good, strong healthy babies because of the premium on food.

DOROTHY FROOKS.

Saugerties, N. Y.

Safeguarding Democracy
To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: There are many ways in which safeguards for our beloved land may be perfected until we all are indoctrinated with the idea and fact that we are integral parts of this democracy.
We would recommend that in order to secure this safety every citizen, native or foreign born, should study and learn by heart the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States.

ADDISON V. WHITLOCK.

### REX A. COLLINGS. 33 North Maple Avenue, East Orange, N. J. Mania for Less

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Beta House, Hamilton, N. Y.

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ETTA V. LEIGHTON.

Uphold the Majority By Backing Constitution

shores. They will be forced to pay off their debt in money, and, I say again, what will the money do? Raise prices. We need a low tariff in this time of abnormal conditions. England and France must unload all their surplus upon the United States, and to enable these countries to do this we must approximate free trade. How else will the exchange rate be normal?

The Republican party could well incorporate such a plank in its platform.

E. L. P.

By Backing Constitution

To the Editor of the Tribune.

Sir: As this government is the voice of the majority and majority, the Republican party must pledge itself to uphold the majority by supporting the Constitution of the people. I hear frequently such expressions: "The people are in the saddle," "It is the people's day."

F. L. W.

Safeguarding Democracy

## Alien Women And Effect on Ballot as Issue

Law Giving Foreign-Born Wives of Citizens Right to Participate in Elections Said to Portend Danger

Fast Rule Set for Men

Suffrage Amendment Held as Necessitating Similar Restrictions on Females

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: In viewing the problem of the foreign-born and the illierate voter most of us have lost sight of the fact that the national woman suffrage amendment will open an easy access in the case of foreign-born women to exercise the most important right and duty of citizenship. The status of foreign-born men will remain unchanged

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Li is an accepted theory of our law that marriage of a female citizen of any other nation to an American citizen confers citizenship on the wife. As soon as the suffrage amendment becomes effective this will carry with it the right to vote. It takes no prophetic eye to discern that unless measures be taken to avert this a foreign-born woman, through the simple expedient of marriage, can almost upon her arrival in this country exercise the suffrage, even though she be totally ignorant of our law, our customs and our politics.

There are in existence now rather stringent laws regarding the admittance of foreign-born men to citizen-ship and the attendant right to vote. Actual Service Opposed as Useless Experiment
In the final voting the popularity of the ten leading issues was well sustained. On the face of incomplete returns the issues of the platform may be forecast:

1. Capital and labor.

2. Foreign relations.

3. Americanization.

4. Army and navy programs.

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To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Land and sea defense, it must be conceded, can be practically maintained only by high morale and efficient personnel in all units; and, therefore, universal training becomes worth while as the requirements for such defense are understood and the opposed and widespread defense is particularly to be deplored.

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Highest Type Loyalty
Demanded of Candidates

Men Who Will Put Country
Above Constituencies Wanted for Leaders

To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: Let the Republican party demand of all its candidates loyalty to the entire country first and to locality second. In some way yet to be discovered Congressmen must be made to

Place in World Affairs

U. S. Participation in Great Movements Advocated

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: America has an unquestionable interest in world affairs. Its ideas and ideals are necessary to a handling of these affairs which will preserve legiti-mate American interests. It should be one of the aims of the will be paramount to any local paramount to a

### Choice of Man A Grave Duty

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Owing to the fact that but twenty-one states of the fortyeight will select their national delegates by popular vote, it is clear that the Presidential nominee cannot be selected by the popular vote. This places squarely upon the delegates selected by the convention system the burden of responsibility to make a selection representative of the choice of a majority of the American people. And the Republican organization by its responsi bility for these convention delegates must assume responsibility for the nominee.

The best man for the job, so far as the votable is concerned, may be made impossible by his exclusion in the convention. Thus it is easily, seen how important is the duty of the Republican party at Chicago.

Then before we consider the duty of the electorate at the polls or the larger party obligations coincident with election in November, there is the outstanding potentiality and responsibility of the party at Chicago.

LUCIUS SUMNER HICKS.

## Survey of 7,089 Planks

The following is a record by issues of the planks submitted in the fourteen weeks of The Tribune's Republican Platform Contest, arranged according to votes so far counted for each issue:

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# Some Suggested Planks

Among the mass of suggestions for planks in the Republican platform are the following:

Conserve Our Resources

Conservation of our natural resources presses now for a sound. constructive policy. Prodigal consumption of coal, oil and timber confronts us. The present must answer to the future if reforestation does not keep pace with denuded wood the arid places are not made productive, and water running to waste is not harnessed for economic work. - Fred L. Long, 116 Nassau Street.

Economic Adjustment

We recognize the imperative need for economic adjustment involving the increased production of essenthe increased production of essential commodities and avoidance of waste. We favor adequate wages for labor of all classes, including unskilled and the so-called clerical or office employees, and consistent earnings on legitimate investments.—Floyd N. Duli, 34 Highland Cross, Rutherford, N. J.

Rigid Enforcement of Laws

The Republican party pledges its best efforts toward the rigid enforcement of all valid laws, especially all laws, statutes and regulations bearing upon the rights and responsibilities of all elitizens of the United States and of all aliens residing in the United States. In the rigid enforcement of such laws lies the surest test of their value, for if—after a fair trial—they are found to be unpopular, by a majority of the to be unpopular, by a majority of the citizens, they should be reconsidered in order that they may be amended or repealed. — Andrew Coats, 510 West 123d Street, New York City.

Equality in Citizenship

The Republican party believes in the equality before the law of all citizens of the United States, on land or on sea, regardless of race or color, as set forth in the Constitu-tion, and pledges itself to enforce, by appropriate legislation, to the utmost limit and with all of the power at its command, such articles of the Constitution as have been vio-lated, so that the humblest citizen may be safeguarded in all of his rights and privileges as guaranteed to him by that immortal instru-ment.—H. A. Wallace.

University of Politica

We desire to prepare our young men and women for the proper solution of our national problems by establishing a university of politics at Washington, the student body to be composed of two high school graduates from each Congressional district, selected by competitive examination each year, whose expenses will be paid by the government. Upon graduation, we feel they will return to their homes as qualified constructive leaders in their local governments,—Joseph G. Lawler, 29 Second Avenue, North Pelham, N. Y.

Combat Spread of Bolshevism Combat Spread of Bolshevism

We feel morally justified and obligated to combat the spread of the doctrines of Bolshevism, since we consider them entirely alien and repugnant to the principles of our Constitution and the spirit of American democracy. We believe in reform only by constitutional method, and all who propose the forceful overthrow of the government shall be dealt with summarily. Education shall be enlisted on the side of loyalty to our institutions and we shall employ it to vitiate the effects of Bolshevistic propaganda, strengthening the people's confidence in the government in the government of the government of the government shall be enlisted on the side of loyalty to our institutions and we shall employ it to vitiate the effects of Bolshevistic propaganda, strengthening the people's confidence in the government shall be supposed to the strength of t

Hits Excess Profits Tax As Aiding High Costs

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We must either increase supply or reduce demand. The latter is not feasible; hence something must be done about the former.

There is only one remedy, and that is increased production.

Some may ask what the excess profit tax has to do with this. The answer is that it takes away incentive toward increased production. No employee is going to put in 100 per cent energy and be satisfied with a compensation half as large. Also many firms dodge the tax by increasing their capital stock, thus paying low dividends of double the amount of capital.

However, there is no need of going into the many discrepancies of the tax. All I wish to do is suggest the abolishment of it as a plank in the coming Presidential election. As Linselved in the coming the content of the capital stock, thus paying low dividends of double the amount of capital.

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Utilization of Rainfall

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: In the control and regulation of the natural resources of the country there should be somebody to do the planning. It should be made a business proposition and not a political activity. The conservation and utilization of rainfall are fundamental, and the prosperity of the country depends the prosperity of the country depends upon an intelligent understanding of this problem and its efficient solution. HENRY G. WACHTMANN.

ernment and in its capacity to com-pass all desirable change.—J. W. Friedman.

Woman in the Cabinet We believe the women voters of

the Republican party are entitled. both because of their civic intelligence and political ability, to a place in the Cabinet of the President of United States. We favor the esthe United States. We favor the es-tablishment of a new portfolio, the Department of Public Welfare, whose secretary shall be a woman. And we give the pledge of the Republican party, assembled in national conven-tion for the realization of this plan.—Constance Freeman.

Condemn Government Waste

We condemn the inefficiency and extravagance rampant in the soldiers' war risk insurance, occupational education and other government bureaus and departments, and believing the government should be first to set an example, we pledge the Republican party to inaugurate an efficient, businesslike nesslike, economical administration in all government departments and activities.—H. Edward Knies, 501 Buffalo Street, White Haven, Pa.

We believe the United States should continue the military trainor some adequate system of training soldiers and officers for the army. We believe that our army should be the largest and our navy the most efficient in the world. We recommend a revision of the court martial system and penalties now in your We recommend. vogue. We recommend a living wage for volunteers.—William W. Lapa-nial, Room 411, 1478 Broadway, New York City.

A Value on Citizenship

The Republican party believes that citizenship has been made too easy. It believes danger threatens from our non-assimilated immigrants and our non-assimilated immigrants and that restrictions should be placed on the suffrage privileges extended the newly naturalized. To this end the party will endeavor to compel and formulate definite plans of Americanization which shall follow naturalization, the ballot with its governmental privileges to be the goal of the process. Mrs. Margaret F. Magee. 35 North Ninth Street, Newark, N. J.

Abolish Death Penalty

There will be a law established, if necessary by amendment to the Constitution, whereby the maximum penand the capital crime shall be life imprisonmen, and then not in those other cases where c ream tantial evidence is largely the basis of conviction. Pardon boards, if legally constituted, will have the right to recommend a pardon.—H. W. Hoover, 183 Boulevard, Bayonne, N. J.

Constitutional Rights

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We reaffirm our faith in the Constitution as the supreme law of the land. We believe that the only way to modify our basic form of government is that provided by the Constitution itself under the head of "amendments." We condemn any practice, whether of individuals or of bodies of men, that tends to bring the Constitution into disesteem. We recommend such amendments as may be found necessary to insure our continued enfoyment of free representative government.—W. E. Thomas, 161 South Arlington Avenue, East Orange, N. J.

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## All Americans **Urged to Fight** For Citizenship

**Problem of Creating Better** Men and Women Held Greatest Thing Facing Nation for Accomplishment

Point of View Changed

War Said to Have Altered Outlook of People, Who Must Adapt Themselves

Sir: As citizens, we are called upon o face together a problem that is not pleasant to study nor easy of solution. It is the problem that some call Americanization, 6thers "better citizenship." The latter term is to be preself merely upon the strangers within problem with us, and for that reason too many good Americans as well as poor ones have fallen into the habit of regarding it as so much verbal slush or political froth. It is neither.

In the first place, we must cease to think that conditions will ever be the ame as they were before the war They cannot be. The war was the close of an old era and the beginning of a new. Our outlook, our viewpoin subconsciously or not, has changed; der. It is the most vital thing because

which we have been proud to call American, our material prosperity, and our spiritual weilbeing. The ominous, close-looming, eve present menace of "capital versus la ber" will become more ominous and

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disappear, only as we meet the prob-lem of better citizenship frankly, fear-lessly, determinedly. We cannot shun it any more than we can shun our obli-gations to crush Bolshevism, com-munism and anarchy.

In the second place, we must make our fight constructively. Every good citizen and every bad citizen and every indifferent citizen will be a combstant, and the victory will be awarded to the side making the most converts. Indif-ferent citizens, by remaining indiffer-ent, will actually, although uninten-tionally, align themselves with the bad.

bad.

In the third place, the struggle for better citizenship will be a slow, bitter, discouraging, gradual advance in education toward a better understanding of man's obligations to his fellow men and fellow workers, toward a clearer conception of the part each man naturally plays in determining whether there shall be economic stability or chaos. Patiently—to patiently—the public is discovering the consequences of stopping the wheels of production even for a few days or a few hours. Patiently the public must fight the battle of better citizenship until all the people who make the

and ultimate chaos.

Finally, the capitalists and the entrepreneurs will be included in the struggle for better citizenship, because it is through their sympathetic cooperation and their willingness to make the workers partners in the great business of production and dis

tribution that we can hope for ulti-mate victory. "Better citizenship" is the biggest thing in America, socially, politically, economically. Let the new Republican administration concentrate upon it. R. A. C.

### Tax on Land Value Demanded as Sole Source of Revenue

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Among the planks suggested for the Republican platform that concerning taxation should receive the closest attention. Few realize how thoroughly the power to tax is a power to destroy. A bad tax is capable of almost unimaginable results for evil, in direct as well as direct. A good tax not only secures revenue to the state, but also distributes the burden equ

tably so as not to injure any useful element in the community. A tax based on mere ability to pay to not honest, since it makes no distinction between earned and unearned wealth or between a greater and a less degree of indebtedness for social service. There is just one measure of real indebtedness to the community. This is, of course, land value. As all econo-cists avrec, a tex on land value cannot be shifted. While other taxes discour-A question in the mind of most people to-day is the high cost of living, and the above tax is conductive toward prices remaining at a high level.

The two fundamental principles controlling prices are supply and demand. We must either increase supply or reduce demand. The latter is not feasible; hence something must be done about the former.

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KENNETH M'M. DICKEY.

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### Courage and Patience Stressed In Dealing With Alien Problem

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: One of the most important problems the country will have to solve is the problem of the proper assimilation of the foreign element into our national life. For many years the question was neglected or left to fate. We had no consistent policy; we had often no policy at all. With the war the eyes of many persons were suddenly opened.

A great cry arose for Americanization, for the prohibition of all

languages except English, for the complete and total obliteration of distinguishing characteristics among the various ethnic and racial groups of our population. The intention was good, but it was dominated too much by the spirit of impatience. The attitude of the Republican party should be to support all efforts

encourage courageous and patient thought on the question. BARNET NOVER.

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